

Human Rights Week  
February 2015

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Date: Monday, February 23

Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Location: KU Ballroom

Speaker: Farah Ahmedi

Title: *Life in a War Zone: Growing Up in Afghanistan*

Theme/Key Issue: War, Conflict, and Children

Description: Farah Ahmedi, author of *The Story of My Life: An Afghan Girl on the Other Side of the Sky*, will discuss her experiences in a war torn country as a child in Afghanistan. Ms. Ahmedi will discuss the obstacles and horrors children face growing up in a conflict zone.

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Date: Tuesday, February 24

Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Location: KU Ballroom

Speaker: Anti-Trafficking League & S.O.A.P.

Title: *Stories from a Survivor: The Fight Against Trafficking*

Theme/Key Issue: Human Trafficking and Adolescents

Description: Theresa Flores, author and founder of S.O.A.P. (Save Our Adolescents from Prostitution) is a survivor of human trafficking and now works to save other victims from adolescent prostitution. Her organization reaches out to victims by placing bars of soap with a rescue hotline number in motel rooms. The Anti-Trafficking League will also give a presentation on sex trafficking issues.

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**Date: Wednesday, February 25**

**Time: 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm**

**Location: KU Torch Lounge**

**Speaker: Mark Ward**

**Title: *The Myth of an Equal Education***

**Theme/Key Issue: Right to Education**

**Description: A social worker and professor, Mark Ward will be speaking on the ideas of equal education in relation to the political system. The idea of equal education will be brought to light in this presentation for both nationally and locally.**

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Date: Wednesday, February 26

Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Location: KU Torch Lounge

Speaker: P.C.A.A.

Title: *Advocacy and Awareness: Preventing Child Abuse*

Theme/Key Issue: Child Abuse

Description: PCAA works to educate and prevent the abuse of children across the United States. The organization is nationally recognized for protecting children's rights and drawing attention to children's issues and development.

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**Date: Thursday, February 26**

**Time: 10:30 am - 11:45 am**

**Location: Sears Recital Hall (Humanities)**

**Speaker: Sister Helen Prejean**

**Title: *A Conversation with Sr. Helen: Juveniles in the Criminal System***

**Theme/Key Issue: School to Prison Pipeline, Criminal System**

**Description: Students will be able to meet with Sister Helen Prejean and participate in a discussion focusing on the criminal system and juvenile justice issues. Topics such as the school to prison pipeline and structural disadvantages that hurt vulnerable children will be addressed.**

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Date: Thursday, February

Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Speaker: Sister Helen Prejean

Title: *Dead Man Walking Event Series*

Theme/Key Issue: Capital Punishment

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